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SUBJECT: EMIGRATION FROM ROMANIA (NUMBERS)

REF: A) BUCHAREST 5382, B) BUCHAREST 5285, C) DUNLOP/VIETS
LETTER DTD DEC 4, 1974, D) EMBASSY OM DTD SEPT 12, 1974

1. TRUST THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WILL CLARIFY
QUESTIONS RAISED IN DUNLOP LETTER OF DEC 4 (REF C).

2. FIGURE 633 ACCURATELY REPRESENTS NUMBER OF PERSONS
(NOT, RPT NOT CASES) WHO HAVE BEEN ACTIVELY SEEKING TO
LEAVE ROMANIA SINCE 1972.

3. IN ADDITION, THE EMBASSY HAS ON HAND FILES FOR
APPROXIMATELY 1,000 PERSONS -- REPRESENTING 610 CASES
-- FOR WHOM PETITIONS HAVE BEEN FILED IN THE UNITED
STATES. THESE 1,000 PERSONS HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AS
"INACTIVE" SINCE THEY HAVE MADE NO EFFORT TO CONTACT
THE AMERICAN EMBASSY OR REQUEST ITS ASSISTANCE SINCE
1972. A PRECISE HEAD-COUNT ON THESE FAMILIES IS NOT
AVAILABLE BECAUSE MANY OF THEM HAVE NEVER CONTACTED
THE EMBASSY.

4. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS YOU USE FOLLOWING FIGURES IN
DISCUSSIONS WITH CONGRESS AS REQUIRED.

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633 - PERSONS ACTIVELY SEEKING TO LEAVE ROMANIA FOR US.

1,000 - PERSONS WHO HAVE APPROVED PETITIONS AT EMBASSY, BUT HAVE NOT CONTACTED THE CONSULAR SECTION SINCE 1972 OR, IN SOME CASES, HAVE NEVER CONTACTED EMBASSY.

1,633 - TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS APPROVED FOR IMMIGRATION TO U.S. WHO HAVE NOT OBTAINED ROMANIAN EXIT PERMITS.

5. RE YOUR QUERY ABOUT LINE ONE OF PARA 12 OF BUCHAREST 5285, THIS WAS AMENDED BY BUCHAREST 5382, PARA 2 AFTER EMBASSY DECIDED PREVIOUS ESTIMATE OF 1,500 WAS TOO HIGH.

6. THESE FIGURES REPRESENT OUR STATISTICS AS OF SEPT 12, 1974. THE EMBASSY WILL BE UP-DATING THEM REGULARLY AT SIX-MONTH INTERVALS.
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